Seizure of smack by Delhi Police in Delhi

789. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report which appeared in the "Indian Express" of the 5th April, 1988 to the effect that Delhi Police has recovered 40 Kg. of smack valued over Rs. 40 crores in the international Market;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any arrests have been made in this connection;

(d) if so, what action has been taken by Government against the culprits; and

(e) what steps are being taken to check such types of crimes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) One person was arrested in a case registered at the Police Station, Lajpat Nagar on the 28th March, 1988 and 4 Kgs. of herion was recovered from him. On the basis of further information disclosed by the accused, 36 Kgs. of heroin were recovered from some other persons on the 1st April, and the 4th April, 1988.

(c) and (d) In the three cases registered in this connection, 4 persons have been arrested.

(e) A constant watch is kept on the suspect and a close liaison is maintained with other enforcement agencies.

Increase in strength of para-military forces

790. SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to increase the strength of CRPF and BSF and some other para-military forces to meet the growing demand from the State Governments for more and more deployment of such forces in their respective States; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Government of India reviews from time to time the strength of para-military forces and, taking into account the need for Internal Security duties and border duties, augment their strength.

(b) A statement containing information is attached.

Statement

Increase in strength of para-military forces

1. CRPF; In the year 1985, Government sanctioned 12 additional Bns. including one Mahila Bn, and they became operational in 1986-87. Recently, the Government have sanctioned 10 more Bns., three of which will be raised in 1987-88 and the remaining 7 Bns. in 1988-89.

2. BSF; The Government sanctioned 54 additional Bns. in 1986 to be raised in a period of five years starting from 1986-87 for increasing vigilance on Indo-Pakistan and Indo-Bangladesh borders. Out of the 54 Bns., 18 Bns. have already become operational and the remaining 36 Bns will be raised in the remaining period of 3 years @ 12 Bns. per year.

3. Assam Rifles: In 1985, Government sanctioned 10 additional Bns., and all the Bns. have become operational.

4. ITBP: The Government sanctioned 12 additional Bns. out of which 6 Bns. have become operational for bank security duties in Punjab. The remaining 6 Bns. for increasing vigilance on Indo-Tibet border will be raised in a period of 3 years starting from 1988-89 @ 2 Bns. per year.

Anti-national activities in Srinagar

791. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:
SHRI RATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether groups raising pro-Pakistan and anti-India slogans indulged in arson, looting and other anti-national activities in Srinagar on April 11, 1988, following the blast in an ammunition dump in Pakistan; if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(b) what steps have been taken to round up such anti-national elements in the State?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI BUTA SINGH): (a) The Government of Jammu & Kashmir have reported that there were incidents of violence in Srinagar and other places, ostensibly in sympathy with the victims of the arms blast in ammunition dump in Pakistan. The miscreants are reported to have forced shopkeepers to close their shops in order to observe *hartal*, caused obstruction to traffic, pelted stones at passing vehicles and a number of people including police officials, received injuries.

(b) As informed by the State Government over 100 persons have been arrested in cases of violence.

Export of red sander logs

792. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Andhra Pradesh Government has sought permission to export red sander logs from the State:

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Central Government have banned the export of sander logs since 1984 and allowed the export of half-finished red sander products; and

(c) whether the Central Government propose to give permission to the Andhra Pradesh Government to export red sander logs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Since 1983-84, exports of Red Sanders wood in the form of chips|processed timber|powder have been permitted from time to time under OGL-3.

(c) Does not arise.

Reviving of sick units

793. DR. R. K. PODDAR:
SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to revive the sick units in which more than Rs. 3000 crores is blocked or propose to recover this sum; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that total outstanding bank